

Amendments to the Specification

Please replace paragraph 0019 with the following:

Since the end protrusions 31a, 31b are longer and more secure in the caps 30a, 30b than conventional designs, the roller assembly 10 can withstand up to three times the pressure of conventional assemblies without the roller 40 becoming dislodged. The curved yoke [[50]] 11 also assists in the pressure forces are not diverted perpendicular to the yoke. With large rollers 40, eighteen inches or greater, greater pressure is applied to the roller 40 with the handle in order to cover a surface with paint from the roller 40. The present invention makes larger rollers feasible so that a greater surface may be covered with each movement of the roller.